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## U. D. C. STATE CONVENTION.

The annual state convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held in this city, beginning Tuesday evening, September 29th, and closing Thursday afternoon, October 1st. The delegates from the local chapters will be the guests of the Sterling Price chapter, of Lexington.

The annual address will be delivered by Judge James B. Gantt at the Christian church on Tuesday evening, September 29th, at 8 o'clock.

The programme arranged for the occasion is as follows:

1. Reveille—Prof. Fred Day.
2. Invocation—Elder Briney.
3. Chorus—"Our Southland."
4. Presentation of gavel to Sterling Price Chapter No. 213—Capt. Joseph A. Wilson.
5. Solo, "Dixie"—Miss Ethel Gibbs.
6. Address—Judge James B. Gantt.
7. Bestowal of Crosses of Honor.
8. "The Girl I Left Behind Me"—Quartette.
9. Taps—Prof. Fred Day.

Wednesday morning, September 30, the regular business of the association will begin, and an adjournment had on the afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 1.

It has also been decided by the membership of Sterling Price Chapter to tender the visitors a reception. This will be held on the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 30, at the handsome and commodious hall of the Elks, the same having been tendered by the members.

All business meetings will be held in the audience room of the Christian church.

Dinner each day will be served in the lower room, and will be under the supervision of the Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church. In addition to serving the U. D. C. membership, the Aid Society will serve all others who may wish to patronize them.

There will be sixty or more delegates from all parts of the state in attendance. The meeting will be an interesting one and much important business will be transacted.

The officers of the association are: Mrs. Anna Washington Rapley, St. Louis, president.

Mrs. John M. Phillips, Kansas City first vice-president.

Mrs. Ryland Todhunter, Lexington, second vice-president.

Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Marshall, recording secretary.

Mrs. Frank Geisloe, St. Louis, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. G. W. Hyde, Lexington, treasurer.

Mrs. Blake L. Woodson, Kansas City, historian.

### It Was Splendid.

The flower parade proved the most popular feature of the street fair. It took place at 11 o'clock Friday morning and was witnessed by the largest crowd that had gathered for any attraction. Miss Lella Tucker, queen of the carnival, was crowned in the Coliseum immediately preceding the parade. Mr. Horace Blackwell performed this interesting ceremony in his happiest manner. Misses Eugenia Kriehn, Edith Powell, Marcella Sellers and Bessie Bowman attended her as maids of honor. Accompanied by her maids Miss Tucker led the parade on a float beautifully decorated with pink and white roses, the queen being seated on her throne under a canopy of pink and white, while the maids had places at the four corners of the float. Miss Tucker filled her position most gracefully, the pink and white of the float making a becoming setting for her blonde beauty.

Next to the queen came the winner of the first prize, a float decorated by Mr. Harry Taubman. On a platform of green festooned with green garlands and decorated with palms was a shell of white lined with pink roses and seated therein were little Misses Florence Eklie and Mary Taylor, who looked veritable fairies, driving with dainty lines huge butterflies as their steeds. Both for originality and from an artistic standpoint this float well deserved the compliments bestowed upon it.

Mrs. Carter, winner of the second honor, accompanied by Mrs. Paul Rankin, drove a particularly attractive turnout. This was a trap decor-

ated with white snow balls and drawn by two white horses tandem. The effect was all one could desire and won the admiration of everyone.

The third prize was awarded Mr. W. P. Cole. His was a run-a-bout made beautiful with white and blue crysanthemums. In it were little Thea Cole and Merrill Gratz.

While these prize winners were very handsomely decorated there were others in the parade that made a decision difficult for the judges. The other entries were: Miss Arline Burden, a stanhope done in pink crysanthemums. She was accompanied by Miss Nadine Steele. Mr. James Price who had a run-a-bout decorated with white roses and driven by Ben Price accompanied by his two little sisters. Mr. Gordon White a buggy beautiful in red and black poppies. Miss Katherine Hays drove this, accompanied by Miss Frances Brown. Mr. H. C. Wallace had a handsomely decorated stanhope on which purple crysanthemums were used. The two horses tandem were driven by Miss Nancy Huston, accompanied by Miss Georgia Ragland, with Mr. H. C. Wallace and Mr. Walter Waddell on horses. Mr. J. M. Gant, of Norborne, had a much admired carriage on which lilies were used very successfully. In this were Mrs. Josephine Gant and Miss Lizzie Swartz, of Norborne. Mr. N. W. Potter had a carriage attractively decorated with golden rod. It was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Potter.

For the most ridiculous turnout there were two entries, Thomas Harney and John Mountain. Both were ludicrous and provoked great laughter. Mr. Harney won the prize.

As a whole the flower parade was a pronounced success and would compare favorably with the showing made by much larger towns.

The judges were Mrs. Captain Hyer, of Lexington; Mrs. Staples, of Jefferson City; James Dillard, of Waco, Texas; Dan Hofer, of Higginsville, and George Hereford, of Odessa.

### Won Scholarship.

Word has reached here that Daniel Ruebel Jr. won a scholarship in the Washington University. The university offers four full scholarships; good for the whole four years of the undergraduate course, to graduates of Missouri high schools and other secondary schools, the candidates to be selected by competitive examination. Mr. Ruebel took his examination in St. Louis. Examinations were held simultaneously in Kansas City and other cities of the state for the same prizes. It is no small credit to Mr. Ruebel and no small credit to the Lexington High School, where he graduated last June in the Latin-Scientific course. The Lexington High School now offers three college preparatory courses and the quality of the work done may be judged by the honors won by this excellent young man.

### The Queen's Ball.

The ball in honor of the carnival queen, Miss Lella Tucker, which took place last night at the Elks' hall, was doubtless the greatest social event of the season. In addition to the Elks, there were many other friends of the queen present. The programme was begun by a grand march, which was led by Miss Tucker and Mr. Walter Reeder. After this other dancing was begun and continued until a late hour. The music, which was most excellent, was furnished by Day's orchestra. Everyone present had a most delightful time and left well pleased to have been a subject of such a charming queen.

### Judge for Hereford Show.

T. C. Sawyer has been selected as one of the judges of Hereford cattle at the American Royal Stock Show at Kansas City Oct. 6 or 10-25. Three judges were selected, one from each of the states Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa. There have been nearly four hundred entries of Hereford cattle and the American Royal this year is expected to be the greatest stock show ever held in the world. It is no small honor to Mr. Sawyer and it evidences the respect in which he is held by the fine stock men of the West.

Born, near Waverly Sept. 19, to the wife of George Smith, a girl.

## DONIPHAN EXPEDITION FLAG

Last week the INTELLIGENCER published a communication from Walter Williams superintendent of publication for the World's Fair, on the subject of Doniphan Expedition Flag, which is to be on exhibition at St. Louis as a part of the State Historical Society's exhibit. Mrs. Mary Powell, of this city, has kindly furnished us with a biographical sketch of Mrs. Hannah O. Cunningham, clipped from the files of the Richmond (Mo.) Conservator, together with an extract from "Doniphan's Expedition," a book now long out of print "published in 1850 by John J. Hughes, A. B., of the First Regiment of Missouri Cavalry, of Lexington, Mo." From the latter it will appear that Mrs. Cunningham was one of a number who presented the company flags on the starting out of the expedition. Is the flag spoken of by Mr. Williams the flag given by Mrs. Cunningham?

### BIOGRAPHY OF MRS. CUNNINGHAM.

Mrs. Hannah O. Cunningham was born at Amesburg, Massachusetts, April 22nd, 1818, and at the time of her death, April 8th, 1901, was nearing the close of her 83rd year.

She came to Missouri in 1842, first locating at Columbia; next in Liberty. She was married to Oliver S. Cunningham October 31st, 1843, and moved to Richmond in 1853, where she afterwards resided until she reared and educated her family, since which time she has been making her home first with one and then others of her children. In her early life in Richmond she was full of life and energy, and with her husband, conducted a school for boys and girls for many years on East Main street. The old house in which they so successfully conducted the school still stands and is now occupied by A. F. Rankin as a residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham were both highly educated, and in addition, they were Old School Presbyterians and lived up to the teachings of the church to the very letter, and their every day life was an example to those who came in contact with them and received their instructions. They had five children, all of whom are yet living, and all married and highly educated. They are: O. S. Cunningham, postmaster at Hardin; Lucy, now Mrs. Jos. A. Wickham, Kennett, Mo.; Mary, now Mrs. Samuel L. Johnson, of North Dakota; Wm. T. Cunningham, who resides in North Missouri, and Emma, now Mrs. J. F. Hickox, of Cairo, Ill.

### DONIPHAN AND THE FLAG.

From "Doniphan's Expedition."

Alexander William Doniphan, whose history is so thoroughly identified with that of Missouri, and who acted so conspicuous a part in the Mexican War, was born July 9, 1808, in Mason county, Kentucky. He was educated at Augusta College, Kentucky, and graduated with high honors, and licensed to practice law in 1829. Bishop Bascom, of the Methodist Episcopal church, was at the head of that college afterwards, and Rev. John W. Locke, D. D., of Lebanon, Ill., is an alumnus. Mr. Doniphan removed to Lexington, Mo., and in 1833 located at Liberty. About this time he married a daughter of Colonel John Thornton, of Clay county. His first military distinction was gained in the Mormon war in 1838, in which, as brigadier general of militia, he led the state forces and overawed the insurgents and quelled the disturbance without the shedding of blood.

In 1846, when hostilities were declared against Mexico, General Doniphan raised the requisite number of men called for by the president to move across the plains and invade the province of New Mexico under command of Colonel Kearney. The recruits assembled at Fort Leavenworth and were mustered into service.

The author closes his memoir in these words: "On the 15th of June, 1846, he was elected colonel of the First Regiment of Missouri Cavalry over his opponent, General J. W. Price, by a respectable majority. No better man could have been chosen; for his sagacity planned, his judgment conducted and his energy, together with that of his officers and men, accomplished the most wonder-

ful campaign of any age or country. This was done without an outfit, without money, and almost without ammunition by the citizen commander of citizen soldiers. The history of this expedition will be Colonel Doniphan's most lasting monument. His deeds will ever live to praise him."

The body, commanded by Colonel Easton, was the advance guard of the army of occupation. Cavalry was deemed the better class of soldiers for the plains, and the whole array was mounted, except one special battalion. C. F. Ruff was chosen lieutenant-colonel and William Gilpin major, and the regiment was composed of eight companies—A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H—from the counties of Lafayette, Clay, Saline, Franklin, Cole, Howard and Callaway, in command of Captains Waldo, Walton, Moss, Reid, Stephenson, Parsons, Jackson and Rodgers, numbering 846 men. The battalion of light artillery consisted of two companies from St. Louis, under Captains Weightman and Fischer, of near 250 men, with Major Clark as field officer. The battalion of infantry from Cole and Platte counties, respectively, commanded by Captains Augney and Murphy, numbered 145 men. The Laclede Rangers from St. Louis, under command of Captain Hudson, 107 in number, attached to the First Dragoons, whose strength was 300, composed the entire force of Colonel Stephen W. Kearney, of the First Dragoons, U. S. A.—1,658 men with 12 6-pound and 4 12-pound cannon.

When this column was ready to move the people of Upper Missouri collected in crowds at the fort to bid their sons, brothers and relatives adieu. At that time the ushering upon the green bosom of the great prairies, with pennons gaily streaming in the breeze, was a sight no less interesting in its nature, and there was no less solicitude for its safety than is manifested at the departure of a fleet for some distant land, when, with spreading sails, the vessels launch upon the restless, heavy deep. These crowds came by boat and every conceivable conveyance. The ladies were there, presenting the captains flags, wrought with their own hands. They delivered addresses, which inspired their countrymen with renewed zeal and courage. Mrs. Cunningham and the ladies of Clay county presented Captain Oliver Perry Moss' company with the finest flag of the expedition. Mrs. Cunningham said: "The ladies of Liberty have deputed me to present this flag. We wish you to remember that some of us have sons, some brothers, and all of us friends or relatives among you, and that we would rather hear of your falling in honorable warfare than to see you return sullied with crime or disgraced by cowardice. Let your motto be death before dishonor. And to the gracious protection and guidance of Him who rules the destinies of nations, we fervently commend you."

### Bold Robbery.

Wednesday night a burglar entered Lexington College for Young Women, getting in by way of the office window. A pistol belonging to Prof. White and trousers belonging to Prof. Staley, which contained several dollars and an undorsed draft for fifty dollars were taken. The trousers were found in the yard Thursday morning. An attempt was also made to enter Central College, the dining room and kitchen shutters being opened, but the burglar was evidently frightened away.

There is no clew as to the identity of the robber, but some think he is the "gentleman burglar" who robbed Liberty Ladies' College and Hardin College in a similar manner last year. If this is the same burglar the authorities will probably receive a polite note in a few days thanking them for his entertainment.

### To be Remodeled.

At a business meeting of the Baptist church Wednesday evening the building committee was instructed to adopt plans for the remodeling of the church and to proceed to let the contract. It is understood that the plans to be adopted will be sub-

stantially those submitted some weeks ago, which contemplate an expenditure of about \$7,000. A new front will be put on the old building, a bowled floor on the level with the present Sunday school room will be made in the main auditorium, with galleries running around three sides. The new Sunday school rooms will be in the rear of the main auditorium. There will be new windows and pews.

A resolution was also passed rescinding the former action of the church in instructing the official board to remonstrate against the paving of Main street. The church will not remonstrate.

### Campbell's Sale.

The horse sale of Thos. B. Campbell and son at Graceland Park Thursday was well attended and the day was ideal for a sale. Some of the horses were picked up at very moderate prices. Abundant luncheon was provided for those in attendance. By comparison with the catalogues our readers will be able to identify the horses sold, as follows:

Louise, sold to J. F. Ramey at \$100.  
Lizzie Kenney, W. E. Johnson \$70.  
Mamie, J. M. Handley, \$42.50.  
Levy Benton, James Kelley, \$107.50.  
John Reid, W. T. Hackley, \$152.50.  
Marse John, J. F. Ramey, \$160.  
Adeline, R. H. White, \$105.  
Rowena, George Belt, \$100.  
Lookout, Geo. B. Gordon, \$45.  
Steeltrust, Geo. B. Gordon, \$102.50.  
Kruker, W. P. Cole, \$62.50.  
Mary Ellen, Lee Slusher, \$140.  
Miss Betty, Geo. B. Gordon, \$42.50.  
Starberg, William Hackley, \$72.50.  
Sunflower, J. M. Handley, \$45.  
Bettie Brown, Lee Slusher, \$90.  
Milady, Dave Slusher, \$50.  
Diamond, J. E. Warren, \$52.50.  
Inkstan, Geo. B. Gordon, \$150.  
Mrs. Trow, John Arth, \$60.  
Sallie, Geo. B. Gordon, \$107.50.  
3 yearling calves sold at \$30 each.  
5 weanling calves sold at \$16.75 each.  
4 milch cows sold at \$23, \$24, \$22 and \$25.  
1 bull calf \$10.  
3 yearling calves sold at \$26, \$19 and \$14.

### Report of Street Fair Committee.

We would like to say to the people that the fair was a success, we paying back to the merchants that donated 45 per cent and keeping \$43.75 awaiting small bills that may yet come in, and when the bills are all in we will turn the balance into the treasury of the Retail Merchants Association. And we also want to thank the mayor and city aldermen, all officers and Messrs. William Waddell, Clem Tyree, Will Curtis and any others that worked so hard and helped us make Lexington's first street fair and carnival a success. We also want to thank the county and local papers for their kindness towards the committee.

### STREET FAIR COMMITTEE.

### The Misses Peak Entertain.

Thursday afternoon from 2:30 to 6 the Misses Peak entertained quite a number of their friends at a lunch party, about thirty-five in all, in the dining room. Several hours passed swiftly by so absorbed were the guests in the interesting game. After this they adjourned to the dining-room where a meat supper and refreshments, consisting of creams, loaves, assorted cakes, coffee and almonds were served.

### Miss Reeder to be Maid of Honor.

Miss Pearl Reeder has been appointed Maid of Honor from the Western District of Missouri to the reunion of Confederate Veterans which will be held at Columbia, Mo., September 24th to 29th. She received the appointment from General Harvey Salmon who has charge of the Western District. Thus Lexington will have two representatives, as Miss Katherine Todhunter has also been appointed to this honor.

### Died of Heart Disease.

Died Tuesday evening, after a lingering illness, Leland Dickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Dickey, deceased, aged nine years. The little fellow was a cousin of Mrs. John T. Bush, with whom he had been making his home. His death, which was due to heart trouble, though not unexpected, came as a sad blow to those who had known him.

## WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT.

Invitations have been issued to the marriage of Miss Bell Gordon, of this city, and Mr. J. G. McConkey, of St. Louis, in the Presbyterian church, Monday afternoon at four o'clock, October 5. This wedding is the culmination of a longtime acquaintance and friendship. When Dr. Gordon, father of the bride to be, was pastor of the Presbyterian church of Roanoke, Virginia, Mr. McConkey, then a boy, was a member of his congregation and a friend of the boys and girls of his family. Not long after Dr. Gordon and his family came to Lexington, Mr. McConkey became commandant of Wentworth Military Academy in this city, where he remained three years. After studying law at the University of Michigan he came to St. Louis to practice and there first attracted general attention by military service in the suppression of the street railway riots. This was coincident with the movement for better city government, and on the election of the reform ticket Mayor Wells appointed Mr. McConkey his private secretary, which office he now holds.

Miss Gordon is one of the most beloved young women in Lexington, gentle, gracious, possessed of both the sterner virtues and the softer graces of Christian womanhood. To those who know them both a happier union is hardly imaginable. After a wedding journey in Europe they will be at home at Hotel Beers, St. Louis.

### Death of Mrs. Zucker.

Died, on Sunday, September 20, 1903, suddenly, at 11 a. m., Bessie Kathryn, (nee Drysdale) beloved wife of David I. Zucker and mother of Sabella Scott and David I. Zucker, Jr. Funeral services at residence, No. 5162A Fairmount avenue, September 23, at 10 a. m., thence to Bellefontaine cemetery. Lexington, Mo., Higginsville, Mo., and Memphis, Tenn., papers please copy.—Republic.

The above announcement caused a shock to the relatives and friends of the deceased in this city, who had not heard that she was sick. Bessie Drysdale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Drysdale, was born in this city September 2nd, 1880, and was 23 years and 18 days old. She married Mr. David I. Zucker in St. Louis about five years ago, and leaves two little children—a girl aged three and a half years and a boy about two years old. She was a bright beautiful girl and a charming woman. A cheerful, happy home is broken up; a sorrowing husband and two little motherless children are left to go through life without wife and mother. It is a sad story. But our loved ones are

"Gathering home to that happy land  
Yes, one by one."

### Council Proceedings.

The city council sat as a board of equalization Monday night and went over the books of the city assessor.

The valuation of Standard Oil Co.'s property was raised from \$467 to \$1,500; that of Rhodes, Haverty & Huppe from \$200 to \$1,200. The real estate tax book and the personal tax book were conformed to the original assessment. Also Messrs. Drake and Brindle filed their contract and bond for paving and grading East Main street, which was accepted. The council then adjourned to set as a court of appeals on October 6th.

### Committee Appointed.

At the fifth annual meeting of the County Clerks' Association of Missouri, being held in St. Louis, steps were taken towards the repeal of the road laws of Missouri and the framing of one general law covering the conditions in every county in the state. A committee composed of B. H. Rucker, Phelps county, James L. Phelps, Jackson county, S. B. Thornton, Lafayette county and George D. Manly, Barry county, was appointed to investigate all present road laws and report.

### Fire at State Fair Grounds.

Monday afternoon five of the buildings of the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia were destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of about \$30,000. The fire started in the left of one of the cattle barns. The prompt response of the fire department saved the other buildings.